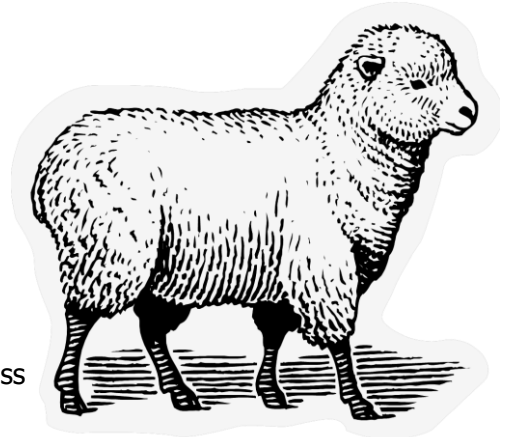


Cloning Sheep

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It starts with a sheep standing in a barn with hay and some grass on the floor.

I'm still in this old barn, just standing around. Some scientists will be coming to get me soon. They will bring me to that large building over there.

(Points at window)

(Sounds excited) I'm going to be the first sheep cloned. Is this really happening?

(Sheep paces around room)

I'm not sure about this, what is it goes wrong?

(Stops pacing)

(Shaky voice) it will be ok, wont it?

(Normal voice) Anyway I'm a black and white sheep that runs around in the middle of a large field. This is one thing the others will stop eating grass for and tell the little lambs about. (Stands tall and looks proud for about four seconds then looks at the ground)

What if the other sheep get the opportunity. (thinking)

MMMM (evil laugh)

I won't let them. They always take away my spotlight. (sighs and looks down)

It's not fair.

(Stands straight again)

Well I'm going to show them that I'm the sheep for the job.

(Normal voice) What do my family think about all this? I hope they are proud. Well I'm happy and that's all I need to know. When will they get here?

(A bit of anger in voice) I have been here for two hours now. I only have about ten millitres of water left and scraps of food.

(Normal voice) I wonder if they can change what someone's skin colour or fur colour. Like bright green for a dog and dark purple for a cat.

(Laughs)

That would look funny

(Normal voice) I think they can change someone's DNA. Well isn't that going to happen to my clone?

They inject one of my unborn babies with my DNA and then they are a mini me. (Looks scared)

Wouldn't that hurt?

(Normal voice) no, no, no it is all for science they would never hurt anyone. They should be getting me soon. I wish I could read the time. Life would be easier.

(Sighs) I know a lot of things that would make life easier.

(Shakes head to get the subject out of head) anyways the scientists are really nice to be they handled me with care.

(Laughs) Now I sound like a fragile box.

(Normal voice) Soon I will be home and all this will be over. All this unnecessary worrying will be over. I will look back on this day and I would have made science history. I will be proud to tell my grandchildren. In a couple of minutes I will be lead to the top secret lab. It's not that secret as most people know about it. Oh well.

(Stops and listens)

I think that's them.